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To Members, Citizens Redistricting Comission

From Daniel Palacios, Citizen

Normally I am not very concerned with local politics but I was shocked to see a person elected to my state assembly district (District 63) who shares NONE of my values or the values of any of the values of those I live around. It was also a shock to see how gerrymandered District 63 was! It stretches all the way from Upland, across the north of San Bernardino to Highland, Redlands and Yucaipa, and down to Loma Linda and Grand Terrace. What is especially galling is that this snakelike district, clearly designed to ensure a Republican safe assembly seat, has collected for itself the most prosperous areas in the vicinity, including four colleges and universities including the CSU San Bernardino. This is like eating the meat off a turkey and leaving the bones! Unfortunately, I live in the narrow corridor of district 63 very near CSU San Bernardino and am therefore jammed into a district with a tea party assemblyman Mike Morrel and his right wing constituents who share none of my values. Sensible redistricting should have put me in District 62. It is my sincere expectation that gerrymandered districts like mine and many others will be redrawn in a just manner this time around.

Respectfully Yours

Daniel Palacios District 63